typewriters by the officers of the UP NCC Dte. and that there was a personal gain to them of Rs 400|- on the purchase of each typewriter.

(c) The complaint was investigated and there was no evidence of any corrupt practice in the transaction.

**Professionalism in AIR and Doordarshan**

2187 SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state·

(a) what Government's policy regarding professionalism in all India Radio (AIR) and Doordarshan, and

(b) whether top level personnel in the All India Radio and Doordarshan are supposed to possess skill and expertise, besides the capacity of administration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA). (a) It has always been Government's policy to encourage professionalism in All India Radio and Doordarshan

(b) Yes, Sir

**Stagnation of employees in AIR**

2188. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY· Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

(a) what is the total number and categories of employees in All India Radio,

(b) whether it is a fact that some employees are stagnating in the same post for years together due to denial of opportunities for promotion, and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The existing number of employees in All India Radio is 19835 comprising 241 categories

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

**AIR studios in Delhi**

2189. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state.

(a) what is the total number of studios of All India Radio, Delhi;

(b) whether these studios are in working order and property maintained, and

(c) if so, whether the quality of recording in All India Radio, Delhi is as sound as it was in seventies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) All India Radio Station at Delhi is equipped with 25 studios

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir There has in fact been a marked improvement in the quality of recordings at All India Radio, Delhi,

**Seizure of heroin from Afghan nationals**

2190 SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) whether it is a fact that white heroin worth Rs 9 6 crores and 176 Kg. of Charas worth Rs 60 lakhs were seized from an Afghan national by special staff of South District Police after raids in New Friends Colony and Dayanad Colony, Delhi on the 28th August, 1986,

(b) if so the details of the further investigation made in this connection;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a number of Afghan nationals were arrested during the last three years on charges of such drug trafficking, foreign exchange reketeering etc; and

(d) if so, the names of such Afghan nationals arrested since 1983; the nature of the cases and the present stage of the cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, 91 kg. of heroin and 176 kg. of charas were recovered on 30th August, 1986 from an Afghan National resident of New Friends Colony, New Delhi. Interrogation led to further recovery of 5 kg. of heroin from the possession of another Afghan national, resident of Dayanand Colony The estimated value of the heroin and charas seized in the two cases is about Rs. 9.6 crores and 60 lakhs respectively in the International Market.

(c) A number of Afghan nationals have been arrested by the Delhi Police on charges of drug trafficking and under the Excise Act, Arms Act, and IPC. However, none of them has been arrested by the Delhi Police for foreign exchange racketeering.

(d) The requisite information is contained in the statement attached. [*See* Appendix CXL, Annexure No. 82].

**Sainik Schools in Andhra Pradesh**

2191. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of Sainik schools and the number of students studying therein in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up more Sainik schools in that State; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) There is one Sainik school in Andhra Pradesh at Korukonda As on 31st July, 1986, 535 students were studying in the school.

(b) and (c) A Sainik School is only at the specific request of a State Government/Union Territory Administration as the entire capital expenditure and a major portion of the recurring expenditure of the school has to be borne by them. No proposal has been received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for opening a second Sainik School in that state.

**House-sites for ex-servicemen and war widows**

2192. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of ex-servicemen rehabilitated in Andhra Pradesh from 1983 to 1986;

(b) whether there is any comprehensive scheme or proposal to allot house-sites to ex-servicemen and war-widows; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the amount proposed to be spent/already spent on the said scheme/proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) During the period from 1983 to June 1986, 2133 ex-servicemen have been rehabilitated in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) There is no such scheme or proposal Allotment of house-sites to ex-servicemen and war-widows falls within the purview of the State Governments.

(c) Does not arise.

**Modernisation of the Navy**

2193 PROF. C LAKSHMANNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the worsening security environment around India, Government have formulated any plans to strengthen and modernise the Indian Navy;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?